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TO: FCC – Comments Proceeding 02-278

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RE: Elimination of the Established Business Relationship for Faxes

On behalf of the Arizona Chapter – NECA, we are opposed to the new rule package on faxes especially the elimination of the “established business relationship”.

As a trade association we have established relationships with our members, both regular and associate. The removal of the “established business relationship” is bad for our business, forcing our office to obtain permission from our members to send them faxes. As an association we work on a very limited budget and this new rule will cause added responsibilities on our already strapped employees and force the association to spend money that was not budgeted to get permission by making additional mailings of the permission form.

Questions I would like to see answered:

Can the permission slip to send faxes of commercial nature be sent via email? This was not clear since there will be additional rules concerning emails in the near future.

Do chapters of national association have to give permission to receive faxes from the national and visa versa?

On behalf of my members do they have to have permission from clients to fax invoices, estimates, contracts, etc?

Do we need to give written consent to any of our members who may send us something commercial?

How does this apply to a member who may have a home office, does the office fax have to be listed in a business name?

Once permission is given does it ever expire?